

THE MUDPUPPY



*The Newsletter of the
Barony of Settmour Swamp*

July/August A.S. XLIV

Calendar of Events

July

- 2-4 (RP)** Northern Region War Camp, Glenn Linn (Warrensburg, NY)
8 Baronial business meeting at the home of George and Sandra, 7:30 PM
12 Weapons practice, archery, St. Paul's Church (Flemington, NJ) 1:30 PM
15 Tir Mynydd meeting (Hope, NJ)
17-19 (RP) East Kingdom War Camp, Eisental (Leighton, PA)
21 Marwick meeting (Cranford, NJ)
24 to 8/9 Pennsic 38 (Slippery Rock, PA)

August

There is no Baronial business meeting scheduled for August

- 18 Marwick meeting (Cranford, NJ)
19 Tir Mynydd meeting (Hope, NJ)

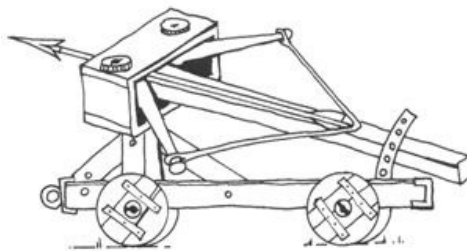
CURIA NOTICE

The Curia of Their Majesties Andreas and Gabriella will be held on Saturday, July 18 at the East Kingdom War Camp in the Shire of Eisental.

See the East Kingdom Seneschal's website for further details.

About the Cover

This month's cover is by Master Tristan Alexander.





Unto the Esteemed Populace of Our Gloriously Swampy Barony, do Rhiannon and Alexander send Greetings!

June may have been a wet month but it was still a busy one. On the last day of May we held a special archery practice at St. Paul's in Flemington and had a BBQ after. Thank you Baroness Jehannine and Lord Thorlaeifr for running the archery practice and to Lord Kyrnn for manning the BBQ grill. Everyone had fun and we plan to do another one (Weapons practice/BBQ/30th Barony Birthday pre-Pennsic Celebration) on July 12th at the same location. Emeline Patterson is coordinating the party so contact her if you can bring a side dish. The Barony will provide dogs and burgers.

The Barony was invited to attend a demo on June 13-14th at a local church Renaissance Fair in Long Valley and we heartily thank the following for joining Alexander and me: Baroness Jehannine De Flanders, Don Edmund, Dona Emeline and Gabriel Patterson, Lady Jehane, Lord Thorlaeifr, Don Malcom, Sean, and Frederick on Saturday and on Sunday, Lady Rachel of Gwynedd, Frederick, Baroness Ursula of the North Woods, Baroness Elizabeth Hawkwood, Lady Kathryn of Krings Keep, Lord Gardr Gunnerson, Don Orlando, Lady Charis Accipiter and Juliette and Milaura. Forgive me for misspellings and forgotten titles. You all rocked!

Pennsic is just around the corner and I hope to see many familiar faces in and around Swamp Camp. This year is our 30th Anniversary and we plan to have a blow out of a party, but we need your help. Baroness Merlinia, Baroness Rhiannon and Lord Pippin are in charge of party arrangements and welcome your suggestions (email or talk with any of us), participation (decorations, getting food, entertainment) and donations (send before Pennsic to B.J. Altrath, 163 Anderson Rd., Asbury, NJ 08802 so I don't have to bug you there - suggested amount is \$20).

Get your Swamp Camp registration forms in before July 12th to Vicki, our Camp Mommy, so she and Alexander (Land Agent) can map out our camp and give everyone their fair amount of space. Please be accurate with your tent dimensions (plus dining flies, camp kitchens, etc.), 1 ft. buffer area and door placement -VERY important.

After years of discussion and suggestions, we are proud to announce that we will finally have a proper gate for our camp ground this year and for many years to come thanks to Bowie, who camps with us and who many of you know. If you don't already know about it, I think I'll let it be a surprise. Help assemble it, come see it or wait for the pictures! Oh, and I'm making a silk banner that will fly from the top of the "gate". Thanks to Emeline for holding a workshop at her house and helping me with this. So look for the Swamp arms to be displayed above the entrance to our camp so you can find your way "home" whether you are officially camping with us or not.

Happy Summer! Happy Pennsic!

Rhiannon and Alexander

Baroness and Baron Settmour Swamp

Officer Reports Presented at the June Business Meeting

Herald

No report

Knight Marshall

Nutley practices continue, no problems or injuries have been reported. Sir Manfred Von Halstern graciously offered to be the head martial with myself as assistant and tournament coordinator. The Baronial Championship tournament had a total of 5 fighters. Sir Mitchell MacBain, Lords Agnar and Steven of House Von Halstern both squire to Sir Manfred, Lord Theobald squire to Sir Gabriel, and Lord Ragnar. Unfortunately I do not know Ragnar's rank or affiliation. We had a round robin tournament with random draws for weapons format for each person in each bout. I was the only one to handle the cards that held the weapons forms on them. There were four possible choices great sword, pole weapon, two weapon, and weapon and buckler. The winner was Lord Theobald. After the tournament to decide the winner, as the incumbent champion, I challenged the new champion to three bouts for the amusement of their Excellencies and the crowd. The format was that Theobald could choose a form for both of us to fight, then I could do the same, and finally we could choose our favorite form. I beat him for two out of the three matches.

Exchequer

No report

Chronicler

The June issue has been distributed. One new subscriber for the electronic mailing list was approved.

Arts & Sciences

We had a nice day for finding the new A&S Baronial Champion. We had four people enter and the populace came and voted and enjoyed the craftsmanship of the entries. At the end of the display it was Carghl Oblique with his Irish Tuam that was declared the winner. He accepted the championship on Sunday at Court. The outgoing Champion Ansitruda attended the competition throughout the day.

I did not get back any of the Project of the Month questionnaires I sent out this past month so there will be no article in the Mudpuppy. I will continue to send them out in the hopes of getting some more to have published.

Mistress of Lists

No report

Chatelaine

No report

Marshall of Fence

Rapier is alive and strong in Settmour as proven by the caliber of entrants in the Quest for a new Baronial Champion. Overall we had about a dozen fencers vying for the honor of serving as rapier champion. Mistress Alys ran a triple elimination sliding slope tourney. All fencers started out with single rapier, then after a loss were allowed a defensive secondary. After a second loss they were allowed an offensive secondary. Third loss put one out of the tournament. The final three were Lord Brendan Firebow, Don Orlando Svorza, and Sir Antonio Patrasso. Sir Antonio prevailed to take his place as the new Baronial Rapier Champion.

Practice continues every Thursday night at Maestro Fencing in Somerville, starting at 7:30 PM.

Captain of Archers

Archery went well at Quest. Master Phillip The Facetious devised an enjoyable course that was completed by about a dozen archers. I have the honor of being selected as the winner of the Baronial championship for archery. We had a Pennsic practice shoot attended by about a dozen archers, including several new faces. We are considering having another some time in July, depending on how the schedule goes.

Marshal of Thrown Weapons-

No report

Chirurgion

For the most part, the populace of Settmour Swamp stayed safe and healthy during this past month. I served as CiC for Quest, at which a few persons were injured. Most of these requested first aid supplies and self-medicated. One person experienced a slightly more significant injury, but chose not to go the local emergency room; I have no further information about this person. I was assisted at Quest by two Chirurgions from outside our barony: Hildemar the Alchemist (Stonemarche) and Raven of Rusted Woodlands. Amy Klein served another traineeship.

Chirurgions from Settmour Swamp served at the following events outside the barony during the past month: Crown Tourney (Carillion): Galefridus Peregrinus, Phillip Reed the Facetious.

Chamberlain

No report

Webmistress

No report



A & S Project of the Month

Stained Glass Valkyrie

Artist: (Full SCA name and Mundane name): Lady Jehane de Fenwyk (Judithann Wapelhorst)

Project description: (What time period; region is it from?): Stained glass Valkyrie

Why did you choose to take on this project?

I am doing this project as a war gift for Their Majesties to present to the Queen of the Midrealm at Pennsic. My brother (Thorlaeifr; Þórlæifr hvitskegg) and Duchess Roxane are making a companion piece which will be presented to the King of the Midrealm.

Difficulty level: (beginner, intermediate, advance): Intermediate

What materials are needed to complete this project?

Once the pattern was decided on, the pattern was cut out of various colors of glass, then the edges of the glass were ground smooth with a grinding wheel. Once the glass was cut and ground, the edges were covered with an adhesive backed copper tape, which allows the lead solder to adhere to and bond the pieces together. The piece was then soldered, and will be completed with the addition of a 3-D treasure necklace of beads and a chain to hand the piece in a window.

How long did it take to complete? (or how long you've been working on it if it is not complete?)

I have been working on the piece for the last few months, and will have it finished by the end of June.

What sources if any did you use as your basis for this project?

I researched designs on the internet with the assistance of Duchess Roxane and my brother Thorlaeifr.



Practices and Activities

Archery Practice

Second and fourth Sunday, St. Paul's Church, Flemington, NJ.

Weeknights in Pittstown. Anyone interested in shooting, please contact Elizabeth Hawkwood at hawkwoode@att.net or call 908-996-6315 for directions and information.

Arts & Sciences Activities

Third Wednesday, 7:30 PM, St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 346 High Street (Rt 609), Hope, NJ.
Contact fafnir62@yahoo.com for information.

Dance Practice

Third Tuesday, 7:15 PM. The Canton of Marwick hosts practice at the Calvary Lutheran Church in Cranford. Anyone who would like to learn medieval/renaissance dances, whether you live in the Barony or a neighboring group, is welcome to attend.

Fencing Practice

Thursdays from 7:30 PM to 10:00 PM at Maestro Fencing, 217 W Main St, Somerville, NJ 08876 There is a \$5.00 site fee to cover the cost of using the facility. Contact Sebastian Estevan de Xavier for more information via email at Xavier1101@yahoo.com or call 732-742-8882.

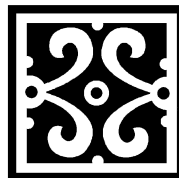
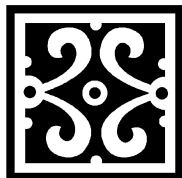
Youth Fighter Practice

Practice will held one Sunday each month at St. Paul's Church in Flemington, NJ. Please contact Angus Sutherland at 908-284-2614 or email him at minor@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org for current information.

Fighter Practice

Wednesdays 6:30PM to 10:00PM, Nutley, NJ. A \$5.00 donation is requested to help defray the cost of the site rental. If you have questions, please email Sir Tanaka Raiko at salvacion_hank@hotmail.com. If you get lost, Tanaka's pager is 201-232-9337.

Thursdays, 7:30 PM to 9:30 PM, St. Paul's Church, Flemington, NJ. *Currently suspended.*



Directions to Practices

Youth Fighter Practice - St. Paul's Church, Flemington

St Paul's is on Rt. 31 in Flemington, next door to the Hunterdon Medical Center, two miles north of the Flemington Circle. Directions are on line or contact Angus Sutherland at 908-284-2614 or email minor@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org

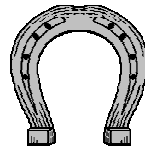
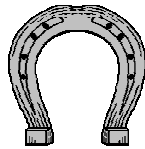
Fighter Practice - Reformed Church of Nutley, Nutley

The church is on Hillside Crescent, Nutley, NJ. Directions are on line or contact Sir Tanaka Reiko at salvacion_hank@hotmail.com.

Fencing Practice – Maestro Fencing, Somerset

Maestro Fencing is at 217 W Main St, Somerville, NJ. Directions are available on line or contact Sebastian Estevan de Xavier via email at Xavier1101@yahoo.com or call 732-742-8882.

Dance Practice - Calvary Lutheran Church, Cranford. The church is at 108 Eastman Street (on the corner of Eastman and Holly) For information and directions contact Jessa at mlecin@gmail.com or call her at 732-563-1029.



Baronial Business Meeting

The meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 8. For directions and more information, contact the baronial seneschal via email for more details.

From the Canton of Gryphonwald

Gryphonwald meetings are held the fourth Sunday of the month. Contact the Gryphonwald seneschal, Lord Pippin a'Bheithir at gryphonwald@settmourswamp.eastkingdom.org for details.

From the Canton of Marwick

The Canton will meet on Tuesday, July 15 at Calvary Lutheran Church in Cranford at 7:15 PM. For more details and directions, contact the seneschal, Lord Edmund Patterson at 908-561-2345 or email him at clost95@aol.com

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